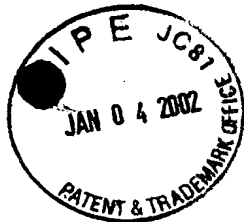


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S i r :

Preliminary to continued examination, responsive to the final Office action dated March 2, 2001, and supplemental to the Preliminary Response mailed October 8, 2001, the following remarks are made:

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1 to 7 remain in the application.

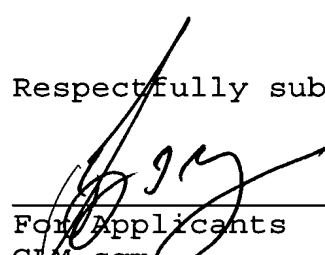
On page 4, line 17, of the Preliminary Response mailed October 8, 2001, applicants referred to a "lug" of a cited reference. Applicants desire to clarify this remark. The cited reference referred to is the cited Japanese reference, Japanese Patent Abstract 07153906A. Correspondingly, the "lug" mentioned refers to the lug 10b in that reference.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1 to 7 are solicited.

In the event the Examiner should still find any of the claims to be unpatentable, counsel would appreciate receiving a telephone call so that, if possible, patentable language can be worked out.

Please charge any fees that might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A., No. 12-1099.

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